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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Judy  
4 Shannon, who passed away on July 28, 2007; and

5           WHEREAS, Judy Shannon grew up in St. Louis; just before her  
6 20th birthday, she married her high school sweetheart and young  
7 baseball hopeful, Mike Shannon, in St. Louis; shortly after  
8 their marriage, Judy and Mike began traveling through the minor  
9 leagues together, until Mike was called to play for the St.  
10 Louis Cardinals in 1964; she remained supportive of Mike  
11 throughout his career, taking her children to be with her  
12 husband during spring training in order to keep the family  
13 together; Judy and Mike continued going to spring training even  
14 after Mike became a broadcaster in 1972, including their  
15 in-laws and grandchildren in their trips; and

16           WHEREAS, In 1992, Judy Shannon, with her husband and their  
17 daughter, Pat Shannon Van Matre, opened Mike Shannon's Steaks  
18 and Seafood in downtown St. Louis; in her free time she enjoyed  
19 traveling and the arts; and

20           WHEREAS, Judy Shannon was preceded in death by her parents,  
21 Bernice and Frank Bufe, and her brothers, Frank Jr. and Robert  
22 Bufe; and

1           WHEREAS, Judy Shannon is survived by her husband; her  
2 children, Michael (Dionne) Shannon, Timothy Shannon, Patricia  
3 Shannon (Gary) VanMatre, Peg Shannon (Dan) Caldwell, Daniel  
4 Shannon, and Erin (Kevin) McGowan; her grandchildren, Gary,  
5 Timothy, Justin, and Shannon Van Matre, Michael Shannon,  
6 Maddoc, Kennedy, Hennessy, and Lochlan McGowan, Ann  
7 Williamson, Issac Owsley, Laken Conyers, and Nikki and Luke  
8 Caldwell; her great-grandchildren, Andrea, Adam, and Amelia  
9 Williamson; her sister; and her in-laws, nieces, nephews,  
10 cousins, and friends; and

11           WHEREAS, Judy Shannon will be remembered by all who knew  
12 and loved her as a loving woman who always put her family  
13 first, happily showering them with attention, understanding,  
14 encouragement, love, and laughter; therefore, be it

15           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
16 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
17 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of Judy  
18 Shannon; and be it further

19           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Judy Shannon as an expression of our  
21 sympathy.